

# THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

January 6, 2019

*And when they were come  
into the house, they... fell  
down and worshipped him!*

## **8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer:**

✠ Psalm 87 | Isaiah 41:8-20 | Colossians 1:1-20

## **9:00 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist**

Introit: Psalm 72:1-7:	page 418
The Gloria:	page 86
The Collect:	page 117
The Old Testament Lesson:	Isaiah 60:1-9
Psalm 72:8-11:	page 418
The Epistle:	page 117
Gradual: Psalm 93:	page 450
The Holy Gospel:	page 118
The Creed:	page 71
The Homily	
The Prayers of the People:	L: Lord, in your mercy; C: Hear our prayer
The Consecration:	page 82
Post-Communion Prayer:	page 85

## **9:45 a.m. – Sunday School: Parish Hall Time with Fr. Stockall**

## **10:30 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist**

♪ PROCESSIONAL HYMN:	750 (The First Nowell)
The Gloria:	page 86
The Collect:	page 117
The First Lesson:	Isaiah 60:1-9
Psalm 72:8-11:	page 418
The Epistle:	page 117
♪ GRADUAL HYMN:	<b>No Crowded Eastern Street</b> <i>please see the bulletin insert</i>
The Holy Gospel:	page 118
♪ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (refrain only):	747 (Iris)
The Creed:	page 71
The Homily	
♪ OFFERTORY HYMN:	748 (We Three Kings)
The Prayers of the People:	L: Lord, in your mercy; C: Hear our prayer
The Consecration:	page 82
♪ HYMN DURING COMMUNION:	94 (Stuttgart)
Post-Communion Prayer:	page 85
♪ RECESSIONAL HYMN:	691 (Cranham)

*Please join us in the Parish  
Hall following the 10:30  
Celebration for Coffee &  
Conversation and a  
Presentation on the  
Renovation Project.*



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## From the Rector

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What we call the beginning is often the end  
And to make an end is to make a beginning.  
The end is where we start from.

*T. S. Eliot, Little Giddings*

Beginnings are moments of immense possibility. New situations; new relationships; new opportunities, all speak of moments when we can turn the page and start out anew. But the reality of our lives is that turning away from our past is not nearly as easy as we might hope. Old pains; old memories; old scores to settle can so often stay with us forever, if we are not careful to seek freedom in Christ.

The start of a new calendar year is often a time to reflect on where we are personally, as well as where we'd like to be, both individually and collectively. New Year's resolutions seem an inevitable part of our thinking at this time of year, if only to chuckle (or despair) at how quickly they can be broken.

I was struck recently by the deep spiritual insight of these 'Five Helps for the New Year'. They were written by Michael Ramsey, who was Archbishop of Canterbury from 1961 to 1974, for his clergy. I encourage you to hold onto them as we enter into 2019 and the resumption of our regular routines and responsibilities. They have much to say about how we might follow Christ into all the new possibilities that he has prepared for us.

1. **Thank God. Often and always.** *Thank him carefully and wonderingly for your continuing privileges and for every experience of his goodness. Thankfulness is a soil in which pride does not easily grow.*
2. **Take care about confession of your sins.** *As time passes the habit of being critical about people and things grows more than each of us realize.*
3. **Be ready to accept humiliations.** *They can hurt terribly but they can help to keep you humble. All these can be so many chances to be a little nearer to our Lord. There is nothing to fear, if you are near to the Lord and in his hands.*
4. **Do not worry about status.** *There is only one status that Our Lord bids us be concerned with, and that is our proximity to Him. "If a man serve me, let him follow me, and where I am there also shall my servant be". (John 12:26) That is our status; to be near our Lord wherever He may ask us to go with him.*
5. **Use your sense of humour.** *Laugh at things, laugh at the absurdities of life, laugh at yourself.*



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The Magi didn't return to the Orient by the same route they arrived on. Learn from the past. If you want to change your life, then change your way.

Augustine, Sermon CC

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## Parish Notices and Updates

**MEMBERS OF ALL THREE CONGREGATIONS are invited to a presentation this morning following Coffee & Conversation regarding the proposed renovation of the entrance and kitchen. Please join us as we review the design concept and see how the proposed plan can serve as a solution to several building issues that we wrestled with in recent years.**

✧ *PLEASE NOTE THAT WE WILL BE CANCELLING the usual Shared Meal this weekend to allow more time for the presentation.*

**ST. MARY'S WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY** resumes this coming *Friday, at 10:00 a.m.* at the Rectory. We're resuming our study of the Gospel according to St. Luke. Everyone is warmly invited to join us; and if your schedule only permits you to attend occasionally, please plan to join us whenever you can. For more information please speak to the Rector.

**EVERYONE IS WARMLY INVITED TO JOIN US FOR A PARISH BREAKFAST** next *Sunday, January 13<sup>th</sup>* between our two Sunday morning Celebrations. It's our hope that members of both congregations will gather together as members of one Parish Family. The breakfast will start at approximately 9:45 a.m. and run to about 10:30. We'll be looking for some members of the 10:30 congregation who will work during the first service to prepare a delicious, as well as members of the 9:00 a.m. congregation who will help with clean up during the second service. Please mark your calendars so that you'll be sure to join us next week!

✧ *PLEASE NOTE THAT COFFEE & CONVERSATION will be cancelled next Sunday.*

**THE WOMEN'S INTER-CHURCH COUNCIL OF FREDERICTON** is having the World Day of Prayer Planning Meeting on *Monday, January 14<sup>th</sup>*, at 10:00 a.m. at Christ Church Parish Church. The 2019 World Day of Prayer service was written by the Women of Slovenia (part of former Yugoslavia). Women of all denominations of faith are invited to help plan for the World Day of Prayer which will be held on March 1<sup>st</sup>.

**EVERYONE IS WARMLY INVITED TO JOIN US for PINT of VIEW**, on *Thursday, January 24<sup>th</sup>* at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Bill & Adele Knox. We're very pleased that Andrew Mathis has agreed to speak about his ongoing greenhouse project and other aspects of ecological sustainability, an excellent introduction to thinking about our God-given responsibility as stewards of his creation. Plan to join us for a stimulating conversation while we enjoy some of Fredericton's finest craft beer. For more information, please speak to the Rector.

**THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH OF ST. MARY, YORK**, will be held on *Sunday, February 17<sup>th</sup>*, at approximately 12:15 p.m., following our weekly Coffee & Conversation. All members of the Parish are encouraged to take part in the meeting as we review our work as a Parish in 2018 and make plans for 2019. **In anticipation of the meeting, we are looking for your assistance in filling leadership roles within the Parish for the coming year.** The Parish Corporation serves a critical role in developing and supporting our mission as the Church; and we are always looking to add new voices to the conversation. Please give very prayerful consideration to how God may be calling you to share your gifts and talents; and speak to the Rector if you have any questions.

✧ *ON A RELATED NOTE: those responsible for preparing reports for the Annual Meeting are asked to submit those reports by Sunday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>.*

**ALLAN AGNEW, OUR PARISH TREASURER**, has prepared the 2019 offering envelopes. Current envelope holders have been assigned their current numbers. If you're not currently using envelopes and would like a box for next year, please let Allan know. And if you're not currently using e-offering please have a word with Allan about how that can be set up.



### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

**JANUARY 9: IN THE OCTAVE OF EPIPHANY**

6:30 p.m. – Evening Prayer  
7:00 p.m. – Holy Eucharist

**JANUARY 10: IN THE OCTAVE OF EPIPHANY**

8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer  
*Followed by time for personal prayer in the Church*

**JANUARY 12: THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

4:30 p.m. – Evening Prayer  
5:00 p.m. – Holy Eucharist

**JANUARY 13: THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer  
9:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist  
**9:45 a.m. – Parish Breakfast in the Hall**  
10:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist